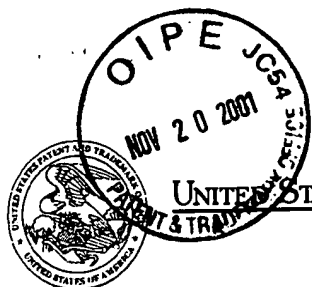


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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
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- The application was filed in a language other than English. Applicant is required to provide an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate. (See 37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 260.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

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- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
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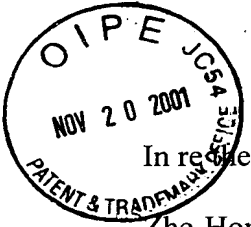
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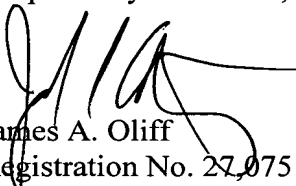
REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF PALM RECORDS

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Sir:

Attached is a photocopy of the original filing receipt on which errors have been corrected in red. Also attached is a corrected application data sheet. These errors are being brought to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office so that it may correct its records.

Respectfully submitted,


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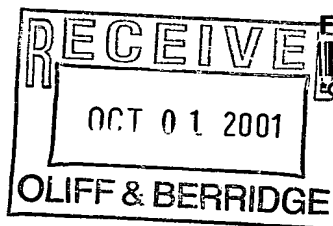


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For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND STORAGE MEDIUM FOR STORING
IMAGE PROCESSING PROGRAM**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CORRECTIONS**Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The Examiner is requested to review and approve the proposed corrections to Figures
3, 4, 7, 8 and 10 marked in red on the attached copies of such drawing figures.

Upon approval by the Examiner, and upon allowance of this application, the formal
drawings will be corrected.

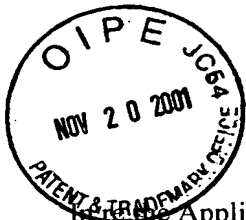
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WITH DECLARATION, TRANSLATION AND FORMAL DRAWINGS**Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (copy attached) mailed on September 28, 2001, submitted herewith are the executed Declaration of the inventors and, upon information and belief, an accurate translation of the application. Any specification attached to and referenced in the Declaration is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the Office in order to obtain a filing date for the application.

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Also attached are 10 sheets of formal drawings depicting Figs. 1-10 in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84.

Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy all requirements of the Notice to File Missing Parts. Examination and allowance of this application in due course are respectfully solicited.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this paper are attached.

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